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**Sent:** Mon 2/28/2011 5:27:24 PM

Subject: Re: Pebble

John, I omitted a detail last week. We will probably be sending out a letter inviting entities to send us relevant science. For federal agencies we will probably have that in the letter I already mentioned. The significance of Bristol Bay salmon to the ocean ecosystems is a significant issue.

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Subject: Re: Pebble

Thanks Rick, that helps. So at this point you're not envisioning that we'd provide any data or analysis for issues related to fish and fish habitat? NMFS doesn't collect data in the BB watershed but I've inquired with our Alaska Fisheries Science Center to see what type of data they may have regarding the contribution of salmon to the diets of marine fish in the eastern Bering Sea. I'm not sure what other data we might have that would be of use. We could likely also provide input to help anticipate the kinds of development-related effects to hydrology and water quality that would be of concern for salmon. Additionally, our Northwest Fisheries Science Center has done extensive work on the effects of contaminants on salmon.

## Parkin.Richard@epamail.epa.gov wrote:

- > Hi John, I hope to send NMFS and other agencies a letter next week that
- > outlines our plans and hopes for your participation. What we are
- > thinking is review of two documents (an annotated outline of our report
- > and then our preliminary draft report) and attendance at two government
- > agency meetings to discuss those reports. The meetings would hopefully
- > be in April and June (but that could slip). I am not sure of the length
- > of the meetings but at least most of 1 day. Then there will be 2 sets
- > of public meetings and then tribal consultations. NMFS presence at the
- > public meetings would be helpful but I think the technical meetings
- > would be our priority for your limited time. Feel free to call me any
- > time (206)553-8574 and I will try to get the letters out next week.

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> Hi Rick. I'm wondering whether you have any more information about the
> Bristol Bay watershed study since we spoke a couple weeks ago.
> Specifically, do you have any more thoughts on what type of assistance
> EPA might like NMFS to provide? You mentioned public meetings and > tribal consultation happening over the next 9 months, followed by peer
> review. When would NMFS input be most valuable? Just trying to give
> some thought to workload planning...
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